

Resolution No.\_\_\_\_\_, Series 2010

**A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE REVIEW OF FUTURE  
PAYMENT OF DUES TO THE KENTUCKY LEAGUE OF CITIES AND  
KENTUCKY ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY OFFICIALS (AS AMENDED)**

**SPONSOR: Councilman Kelly Downard, District 16**

**Whereas:** State Auditor Crit Luallen has audited the Kentucky League of Cities (KLC) and found excessive spending, weak procedures and inadequate oversight; and

**Whereas:** State Auditor Crit Luallen has audited the Kentucky Association of County Officials (KACo) and found excessive spending, weak procedures and inadequate oversight; and

**Whereas:** There have been a number of alarming media reports outlining a severe lack of transparency and oversight of taxpayer funds contributed by local governments, including Metro Louisville; and

**Whereas:** Louisville Metro Government is a long standing member of the Kentucky League of Cities and the Kentucky Association of County Officials; and

**Whereas:** Findings by the Office of the State Auditor suggest that KLC and KACo each have ~~has~~ excessively spent member funds and improperly used ~~KLC~~ funds for items unrelated to their mission; and

**Whereas:** The Louisville Metro Council agrees with the Office of the State Auditor that the reduction of wasteful and excessive spending should lead to a reduction of membership costs for Louisville Metro and other participating **municipalities-cities and counties**;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (“COUNCIL”) AS FOLLOWS:**

~~**Section 1.** The Louisville Metro Council would like to review future payment of dues to the Kentucky League of Cities and Kentucky Association of County Officials.~~

**Section 1. 2.** The Louisville Metro Council calls for a refund of half of Louisville Metro’s dues for the previous three years, and a significant reduction in membership dues for KLC and KACo memberships in subsequent years in light of the findings in the State Auditor’s 2009 reports on of KLC and KACo. This same action should be taken for all member cities and counties.

**Section 2. 3.** The Louisville Metro Council calls on KLC and KACo to enact policies to follow the same open records and open meeting laws that the member **municipalities-cities and counties** of this Commonwealth are required to follow. We understand a new state law may require this action.

**Section 3. 4.** The Louisville Metro Council hereby supports and encourages efforts made by the General Assembly for the Commonwealth of Kentucky to require KLC and KACo to follow the same open records and open meeting laws that are required for **municipalities cities and counties**.

**Section 4. 5.** The Louisville Metro Council calls upon the KLC to report to the Louisville Metro Council, and to all member cities, how each of the 30 findings of the State Auditor have been addressed and corrected by the KLC.

**Section 5. 6.** The Louisville Metro Council calls upon the KACo to report to the Louisville Metro Council, and to all member **cities counties**, how each of the 40 findings of the State Auditor have been addressed and corrected by the KACo.

**Section 6.** This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

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Kathleen J. Herron  
Metro Council Clerk

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Thomas L. Owen  
President of the Council

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Jerry E. Abramson Date  
Mayor

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY**  
**Michael J. O'Connell**  
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**By:**\_\_\_\_\_